# COUNTY LINES



### JANUARY 2005

#### **TCOB MEETINGS**

#### **Commissioners**

1/4 10:00 am Tippecanoe Room 1/18 10:00 am Tippecanoe Room

#### Council

1/11 2:00 pm Tippecanoe Room

#### **COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED**

1/3 & 1/17 2/21

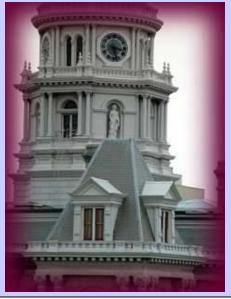
#### MEMO from Human **r**esources

Do you have un-reimbursed medical, vision, dental or prescription expenses for 2004? To be eligible for reimbursement, requests must be received in the FBA office by March 30<sup>th</sup>. If you need a request form, contact **Human Resources**.

The County has provided a **Public Bulletin Board** for you within the Outlook email software. County Employees may use this to post items they may have for sale or items they are looking to buy. This is also a good way to let County Employees know about the many events going on or to look for volunteers. You will find this listing in Outlook under Public Folders, All Public Folders, Public Bulletin Board. (Don't forget to remove old postings.)

#### **Suggestion Boxes-**

Coming Soon to a desktop near you...an extra edition of County Lines featuring comments and responses to SUGGESTIONS collected from the suggestion boxes at county facilities in 2004. Look for this special edition in the very near future. © © ©



An **OPEN HOUSE** for retiring Park & Recreation Department Superintendent, **RON DYE**, will be Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, in the Tippecanoe Room of TCOB from 3:30 to 4:30. Please, stop by and wish him well as he nearly completes 32 years of service with us.









On behalf of all of the local United Way agencies, ma ty employees that made pledges & donations in the recent fund drive. Your support helps people from Tippecanoe County get assistance from such places as the Red Cross, Senior Center, Le

Resource Center, Family
Services, Big Brothers/Big
Sisters, Mental Health
Association, and other agencies.
Thanks, and Happy New Year!
From Ken Weller,
Executive Director
of Legal Aid Corporation

# January ANNIVERSARIES:

#### 25 YEARS

Mary Swink Mary Ann Bunch

#### 20 YEARS

Allen Nail Patricia Foerg



#### 15 YEARS

Kristine Emerson Virginia Tull

#### 10 YEARS

Ellen Miller Jeffrey Kemper James Siemer Laurie Pugh Brenda Melville David Hullinger



#### **5 YEARS**

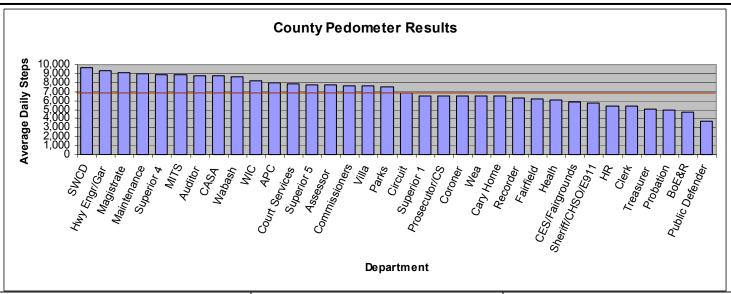
Terri Probasco Jon Brian Crammer Debra Stetler Kevin Miller Patrick Robertson April Keck Bobby Simpson



### THANK YOU!!!

FYI: When road conditions are questionable due to weather, Employees can rest assured that the Commissioners are in constant contact with Sheriff Anderson, Mark Kirby of TEMA and Joe Buntin of Highway regarding changing conditions.

Congratulations to Soil & Water for the highest daily average by a county department, to Glenda Mellady of the Sheriff's Dept for the highest daily average of all 234 participants, and to Kathy Ramey with the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest daily average. Thanks to all who participated. As a group we accumulated over 68 million steps and averaged 6,930 per day. Not enough to beat the cities in the overall challenge, but hey, who's counting! (Not me!) I enjoyed getting to know you and hope you continue walking with or without that "challenging" pedometer! —Jennifer Weston



The **Park Department** thanks

CenturyTel for their donation of \$904 to be used to purchase two picnic tables made of recycled plastics. The tables will be used at the **Tippecanoe** 

Battlefield Park.

CenturyTel has been most supportive of our efforts at the



#### Battlefield.

In 2003 they donated \$836 that was used to replace the white picket fence that surrounds the historic Chapel in the park. A hearty pat on the back to **Tippecanoe Battlefield Park** 

Manager Kathy Moore for continuous work in seeking grant programs that

supplement the **Park Department** budget.

## PARKING GARAGE

Be sure to return your parking pass on your last day of work. You will continue to be charged until **HR** receives it. If your card is lost, a lost card fee will be applied. Envelopes are available in **HR**.

#### AND...

Fellow garage parkers ask that we slow down, stay in our own lanes and observe the STOP signs!



<u>parking@county.tippecanoe.in.us</u> Questions, comments?

Check out our County Website. www.county.tippecanoe.in.us

# from MITS

In order to better serve our large number of computer users, a **User Work Order** Form is now required by **MITS** in order to ADD, REMOVE or MODIFY a user account. The form needs to be completed 2 days prior to the start or modification of an employee account. The form is located in Outlook under the public folders and may be filled out and submitted via email by sending it as an attachment to Helpdesk. Questions, call the friendly, helpful staff at **711**.

Thursday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, a fire took the home of Louise and David Dant, 3708 Spring Court S, just off Brady Lane. (Louise is a caseworker in the Child Support office of the Prosecutor.) Quite unfortunately, it appears to be a total loss. Donations will be accepted in the Commissioners' Office in TCOB and the Prosecutors Office on the 4th floor of the Courthouse. They lost everything except their cars. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Horton at 215, Kathy Greer at 163, or Sherri Russell at 185. Thank you for your help and kindness.

### 4th Thinking for a Change Training graduates 28 Facilitators in November

**Tippecanoe County Probation** and **Tippecanoe County Community Corrections** completed the **4th Thinking for a Change** training at Ivy Tech State College on November 12, 2004. Twenty- eight corrections officers, probation officers, court services staff, forensic diversion staff, social services staff, and a judge were certified as facilitators for **Thinking for a Change** (**T4C**). **T4C** is a cognitive/ behavioral program that teaches clients, within the criminal justice system, pro-social thinking and behavior to help them keep themselves out of trouble. At any one time in Tippecanoe County there are multiple classes running both for juveniles and adults. Over 100 adult clients in Tippecanoe County have completed the classes. The program was developed by the U.S. Department of Justice. Tippecanoe County has trained over 100 criminal justice staff and service providers as **T4C** facilitators. According to Steven Swisher, U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Corrections, **Judge Donald Johnson** is the first judge in the U.S. trained as a **T4C** facilitator.

A special thank you goes out to Ivy Tech State College for allowing **TCP** and **TCCC** to use their facility for our training!







### Two Receive Level of Service Inventory Revised Training

Terra Lauer, Tippecanoe County Probation assistant and Adam Stresemann, Tippecanoe County Community Corrections completed the training for the Level of Service Inventory-Revised (LSI-R) in 2004 through Tippecanoe Probation Department. As of 2004, CPO Kipp Scott, DCPO David Hullinger, and PO Bernadean Iszler became certified instructors for the LSI-R. The LSI-R is a risk/needs assessment instrument that measures risk factors that contribute to the causes of criminal activities in individuals and offers criminal justice system staff information as to level of supervision and case planning.







Adam Stresemann